

Newsletter REACHING INTO THE FUTURE



Outreach Teams Recent Focus on Australia

Our October Discipleship Training School was able to send two outreach teams to Australia during the Outreach phase of the school at the beginning of 2024. The team leaders for the Australia outreach teams, Peter Jouanney and Sierra Adams, took their teams to two different parts of Australia.

Peter's team headed towards the Outback towns of Queensland and New South Wales. The team of 7 participated in various kinds of ministry, including; street evangelism, after school youth clubs, church services and practical ministries including a week helping out on a farm in Lithgow.

Peter reflects on taking the team to Australia: "Being a first world country you can often easily think, 'What do we have to offer here? Where do we start?' But we really saw God moving through the small things and through the interactions we had with people and the relationships the team formed with a number of individuals. It was a real privilege to be able to partner with that move of God and to share with these isolated communities that they are not forgotten about and that they are loved by the Father."

Meanwhile, Sierra's team headed toward Tasmania upon arrival in Australia. Memorable moments included getting to connect with steadfast believers of Tasmania, hanging out with kids, and getting the opportunity to step out of comfort zones.

Sierra shares about her experience leading the team to Tasmania: "I went to Tasmania on my outreach in January of 2023, and it was incredible to return a year later, this time leading a team. Our team went with the hope of encouraging the believers in Tas and reaching the unreached, and we ended up being so encouraged ourselves! The Spirit of God is working and moving in Tasmania, and I'm so glad our team got to partner with Him for those four weeks."

We are so thankful for our outreach team leaders and the students that put in the long hours in the car and experienced the challenges of cross cultural ministry to share the hope and love of Jesus with others.

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One of the most exciting parts of the Discipleship Training Schools - for both students and staff - is launching on outreach after 12 weeks of immersive lectures.

Our January 2024 students packed up their bags and caught flights to Vanuatu in late April to spend seven weeks putting their newfound knowledge into practice. Their goal is to minister to those they encounter in the name of Jesus, bringing hope, peace, and love wherever their feet go.

One team has been in Espiritu Santo, an island in the northern part of Vanuatu, teaming up with an amazing family. They've enjoyed doing children's ministry whether that's in schools, or in villages singing songs, telling bible stories, and more.

Another team recently reported that they have headed to a village on Efate where we've had past teams connect with the local church.

They've connected with the youth by playing games and sharing testimonies.

Margaret Takami, January DTS leader, comments on how this outreach is going:

"I have seen the students go with such a willingness in their hearts - to embrace the beautiful culture and people of Vanuatu, and pursue what the Lord would have them put their hands and feet to. There is a zeal in these students to serve and to share the heart of Jesus in whatever way it takes. Whether it is seeing the woman at the mama's market (fruit market) and bringing encouragement, sitting and listening to people in their villages or just playing with a pikinini (child) and telling them Jesus cares for them. One by one, with the willing heart of these students, I know that this nation will be discipled to reflect Christ, and glorify Him in their families and communities."





The Family Care Centre has a diverse approach to ministering to, serving, and ultimately discipling the people of Vanuatu. The medical and dental services are a big part of the FCC's efforts, but they also incorporate more relational and educational connection opportunities within the community as well.

While Mat Time is a ministry specifically focused on discipling men in several communities, the FCC also has run antenatal and women's health classes for pregnant and or breastfeeding mamas, which are "Mama's Classes."

These 11-week courses meet weekly and cover a variety of topics around women's health, including keeping healthy during pregnancy, labour and birth, and postnatal care.

Estera Badulescu, the FCC clinic manager and also coordinator of the Mama's Classes, shares more: "It's been wonderful to meet with 4-5 Mamas every week recently and create a space where they can learn and build up relationships. All the

Mamas have already experienced pregnancy and birth, but now they have the knowledge to understand how God has designed their bodies to create life. We've already taught how to take good care of the Mama during pregnancy, and what are different illnesses during pregnancy. At the moment, we are digging into labour and delivery. I am so thankful for the big help of two other nurses that are teaching alongside me, and another Mama that has been helping us by setting up the class and being a great bridge to help the other Mamas understand all the different topics."

In the past, running the Mama's Classes provided a beautiful opportunity for connection and encouragement, while also helping equip these Mama's with information to help manage their own health and that of their baby.

The FCC is committed to sharing Jesus and his love and care for each individual - be they Mamas or babies still in the womb. For more information about how you can be a part of what the FCC is doing, please visit: www.familycarecentre.org

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Thanks to a recent donation of \$105.00, the base was able to have our fireplace chimney cleaned at the Training Centre. This regular maintenance allows for safe fire burning in the Centre's lounge, which provides both warmth and a lovely atmosphere for students and staff to enjoy while playing games, visiting, or working on DBS homework. We are thankful to our donors for how they support the work of Pacific Reach both in New Zealand and abroad!

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- · Missions Mate: Help us fund the day-to-day, monthto-month, and annual costs of running a ministry effectively with a monthly gift of \$10, \$20, \$50 or more.
- DTS Flights: Air Vanuatu has recently entered liquidation, leaving our DTS students and staff with return flights from Vanuatu cancelled. Please consider making a one-time donation to help cover the cost of purchasing new tickets back to New Zealand.

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- PRAYER · January DTS: Please pray for the January DTS as they transition out of Outreach Phase, through Reentry Week, and move forward from DTS, either traveling onward, returning home, or staying to staff with Pacific Reach.
 - · April DBS: Please pray for the DBS students and staff as they wrap up their final weeks of the DBS and seek the Lord about next steps in their lives.

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